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A flooded home in King Salmon.
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‘We’re All Different’

Editor:
My heart goes out to Sarah Blackstone-Fredericks (“How to Meditate When the World is on Fire,” Jan 15), with her multiple (17!) moves, and I applaud her for finding peace of mind by creating a safe space wherever she found herself.

So while I found myself agreeing with most of her heartfelt essay on meditation, I got hung up when she wrote, “The goal is to find a little peace within...” My belief is, for most people, having a goal in meditation is not only counterproductive (in this case, finding peace of mind) but can turn folks away from meditation when, after a few sessions, they haven’t found what they were hoping for. I speak from experience. As a one-time instructor for beginning meditators at a Bay Area Zen group, I shudder to think how many people I turned off the practice by setting up such high expectations. (Only one in four or five ever returned after their first session.)

Of course, for some, having a goal does work! But we’re all different, and meditation isn’t a “one-size-fits-all” practice. The late Zen monk Kobun Chino expressed it so well when he explained that “hard sitting” (having a goal, putting effort into it) is perfect for some people. For the rest of us, “soft sitting” (that is, just sitting without a goal, trusting that one’s mind knows best) is the ticket. Or as the Buddhist Heart Sutra says, “... no place to go, nothing to do, nothing to attain.”

Barry Evans, Eureka

Ya Gotta Admit ...

Editor:
Rex Bohn has been remarkably consistent over the years — in proving beyond a shadow of a doubt his lack of fitness for public service (“Top 10 Stories of 2025,” Jan. 1). How many times has his conduct as a supervisor proven this? And why has he not been censured for similar behavior as Supervisor Bushnell, plus an added charge of (yes, once again) corruption? How can an objective observer take this board seriously?

And NCJ editorial board: Why was this section buried toward the end of your top stories of the year, just two slots in front of the zoo getting more bears, and behind the lack of horse racing at the county fair? With all due respect, SMH. Apparently, corruption in our elected officials does not seem particularly important to you.

Home

I am from ocean air and silver fog.
I am from marshes, blue herons, and white egrets.
I am from Eucalyptus holding winds at bay, piebald cows blanketed in mist — lichen on ghostly fences.
I am from otters, whitecaps, and the sea spray of a whale’s journey.
I am from Sunday beach picnics — golden agates, sand dollars, salt resting on my lips.
I am from sandy feet, sand dabs — turretted sandcastles.
I am from koi ponds and dinner-plate dahlias — casting dreams into wishing wells.
I am from bakeries and marzipan lingering in books — farmers market flowers wrapped in crisp brown paper and joy.
I am from small corner stores — Starburst bought with pocket change and lint.
I am from cherry blossoms, toy boxes, fins and feathers — chocolate dipped cones.
I am from banana-seat bikes, jump ropes, and pink-wheeled roller skates: friends turned enemies, turned friends again.
I am from rainbows, oil-slicked puddle-jumping, cool garden-hose sips — skinned knees.
I am from salamanders, timbered treehouses — the crunch of dry maple leaves.
I am from lemony buttercups, coffee can potions, dog baths — sprinkler runs.
I am from the trill of tiny hummingbird wings, dew on spider webs — frost crystals on green grass.
I am from gingerbread houses, sunny porches, purple doors.
I am from stained glass and sawdust — the house my father built.
I am from dense gray clouds and tall trees — deep roots, shaking earth, and solid ground.

— Ashley K. Duskin

To end on a positive note, I really enjoyed reading the fictitious business statements.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views.

P.S.: Just for the record, I like bears as much as the next guy.

Dave Kahan, Redway

Thank You

Editor:
The Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office Search and Rescue Team would like to extend its thanks and deep appreciation to the Arcata Playhouse for allowing us to utilize their facility for our winter holiday party. The sheriff, deputies and volunteers

were able to comfortably celebrate a year of many successful searches and honor the incredible talent on our team. Thank you, Arcata Playhouse, for helping to make it a truly wonderful evening for all of us. Here’s to 2026...!

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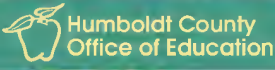
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Many of the Humboldt Musicians for Peace provided a steady soundtrack for the Free America protest, along with singing by the Raging Grannies and music by a brass band elsewhere along Fifth Street.
Photo by Mark Larson

Saturday’s Free America protest in Eureka

By Mark Larson
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The crowd of peaceful protesters at the local event for the national 50501 Free America Walkout scheduled on Saturday, Jan. 17, arrived slowly starting at noon at the Humboldt County Courthouse in Eureka. But by 1 p.m., the estimated number of those present on both sides of Fifth Street exceeded 1,000 people who

were raising their voices (“Uphold the Constitution,” “End executive overreach”) and signs in opposition to the Trump administration and its proposals to annex Greenland, actions in Venezuela and its mobilization of ICE in Minnesota, where an agent shot and killed 37-year-old Renee Good on Jan. 7, and elsewhere. The signs, chants and crowd presence elicited

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Ponch the dog wore a sign that read, “Never trust a petless President” at the Free America protest. His owner Dave Cadorette, said, “It’s the truth.”

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positive responses from passing vehicles in the form of blaring horns. (See photos below.)

Local organizers chose to schedule this Eureka protest on Saturday instead of the official Tuesday, Jan. 20, date set by 50501 as a way to attract a larger crowd,

according to AJ, a protest marshal. "We did this because we don't typically get very good turnout on Tuesday protests, so we wanted to give people that opportunity without forcing them to take time off from work. We still plan to have people meet here at the courthouse on Tuesday."



Lady Liberty (Gail Moore, of Eureka) joined others in singing protest lyrics to "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" at the Free America protest on Saturday. "Liberty is being trampled today, and I want people to remember," said Moore.

Photos by Mark Larson



The crowd of peaceful protesters for the local 50501 Free America Walkout at the Humboldt County Courthouse exceeded 1,000.

The positive energy at the very social protest featured a bake sale for a local food bank, a table for voter registration and live music by the Humboldt Musicians for Peace, the Raging Grannies and a brass band. Members of the Eureka Police Department were visible on nearby streets, and they made at least one traffic stop of a vehicle passing the protest on Fifth Street.

A small number of protestors showed up in Trinidad on Saturday for a similar protest over the Trump administration, as reported by a number of media outlets. Organizer Barbara Snell, 94, was quoted saying that she plans rallies for every Saturday.

A student walk-out protest is also planned for noon at Cal Poly Humboldt on Friday, Jan. 23, with a march from the Josiah Lawson mural at 1301 D St. to the Arcata Plaza and back. ●

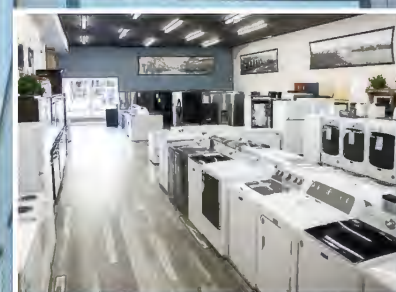
Mark Larson (he/him) is a retired Cal Poly Humboldt journalism professor and active freelance photographer who likes to walk.



Dorothy Skjonsby of Eureka quoted the Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Greenland on her sign and said, "The streets are filled with protestors today in Denmark."

Erik Schjeide of Arcata said he used his graduate studies in Old Norse literature to find this "Norse spell to bind facism" written on his sign at the Free America protest.

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Charting the course of King Salmon's recovery

By Griffin Mancuso and Kimberly Wear

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Photos courtesy of the Fields Landing and King Salmon Living with Water Project

A person wades down a flood street in King Salmon.

Under sunny skies punctuated by a stiff wind, representatives from a network of community organizations gathered Sunday to help residents impacted by the New Year's flooding in King Salmon.

Volunteers, many wearing bright orange vests, warmly greeted those walking up to the meeting spot on Buhne Avenue, learning about their situations, listening to their experiences and providing them with information on support services.

Along the seawall separating the town from the dunes that run to Humboldt Bay were bottles of bleach and other cleaning supplies. Nearby a crate of bright green apples and cartons of food sat by a line of water bottles and boxes of pizza for anyone needing a snack or something to take home to eat.

The latest in a series of outreach efforts to take place since the flooding, the Community Support Day organizers say these events and supports will continue as long as needed, including a focus this week on assessing what kind of appliance needs residents are facing and how to meet them.

While the waters have receded after a combination of heavy rain, storm surge and King Tides — which reached a record-setting peak of 10.37 feet on Jan. 3 — inundated the small hamlet over the course of three days, signs of the deluge that flooded some streets waist-high remain evident.

In the absence of a proclamation of a local disaster, Humboldt Community Organizations Active in Disaster is working with a diverse range of partners as a relief bridge for impacted residents, providing support with necessities in the short-term and helping them navigate different channels to access the resources they need to move forward.

Those include, among others, Pay It Forward Humboldt, the Red Cross, the Pine Hill/South Bay Family Resource Center, Humboldt Grange and the county of Humboldt-Cal Poly Humboldt project called Fields Landing and King Salmon Living with Water, or FLKS, along with county agencies.

"Recovery is not fast by any means," says HCOAD Executive Director Nick Bown-Crawford, "and we want to recognize that and to keep people warm and fed."

Walking down Crab Street after he and others, including Cal Poly Humboldt professor and FLKS faculty lead Laurie Richmond, took local state representatives on a tour of the damage, Bown-Crawford says the latest number on Sunday shows 39 of the community's nearly 200 residences suffering "major damage." Of those, so far, three homes have been deemed unsafe to live in. At least 25 others saw moderate flooding.

While still a fluid situation, he estimates the damage at "well over \$500,000" based on his experience and the property assess-

ments done so far, but notes, "that will likely increase." (As the *Journal* was going to press Tuesday afternoon, an email from the county placed the estimate at around \$750,000.)

A high percentage of those impacted, Bown-Crawford notes, were unable to get or afford flood insurance. Some are currently living without basic appliances like water heaters, refrigerators or washer and dryers.

"These are the people who we are driving the aid to right now," Bown-Crawford says. "We want to continue to meet with people and to get out the word that we

are here. We do have a network of folks who are here to step in."

Facing the Flooding

Linda and James Carter, who have lived in King Salmon for more than 15 years, are among those displaced.

As one of the only houses in the neighborhood encircled with a short wall that provided protection in previous flooding, James Carter says he was confident the same would hold true as the King Tide arrived on Jan. 2. He was wrong.

Instead, he says in an interview with the *Journal* last week, his wife opened the curtains at high tide that day to see her car inundated with 3 to 4 inches of water. "It's now the biggest paperweight I've ever owned," James Carter says.

Not only did the water not stop with the wall, it swiftly overtook their previously stacked sandbags as he rushed to shut off the electricity. The Carters say they tried to move as many of their possessions off the floor as they could before the house filled with 2 feet of water.

Everything that was submerged underwater will have to be repaired or replaced. All the flooring, some of which was recently renovated, had to be removed. Their junction box, located beneath their house like most houses in King Salmon, will need to be repaired.

For the time being, the couple says they plan to stay in a friend's house in Hydesville for the next three weeks, then

Demographics

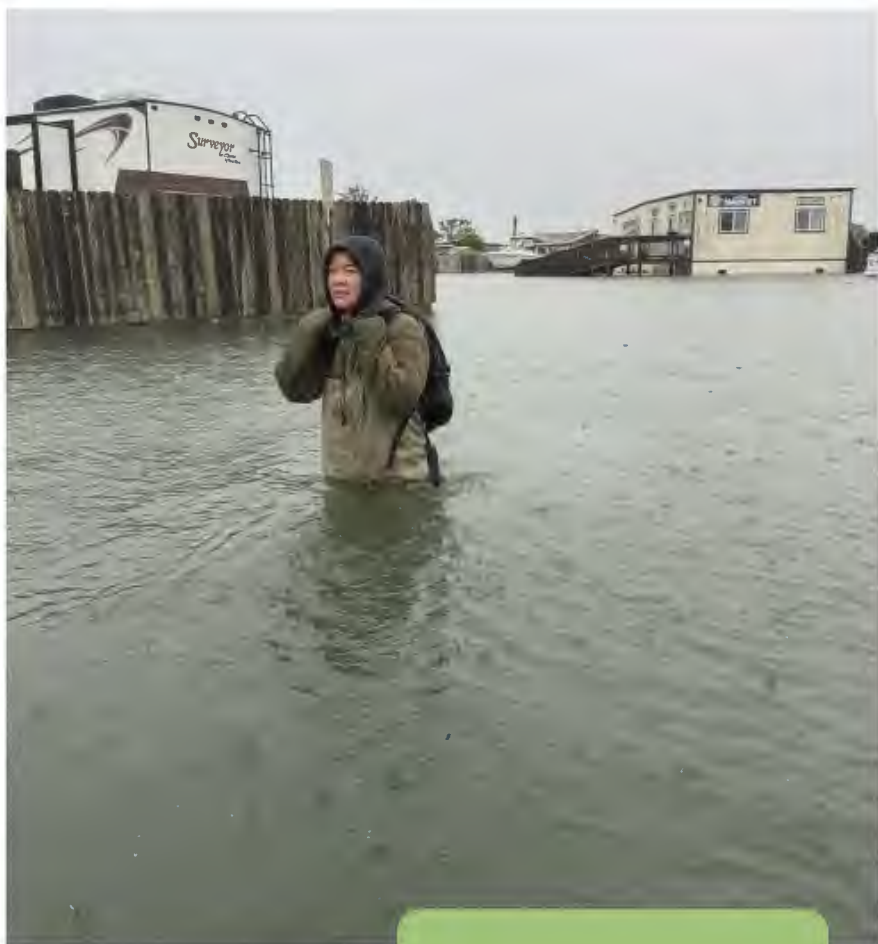
Both communities have a **high median age:**
60 in Fields Landing
68 in King Salmon

56.1% of households reported having a **retired** person in the home

38.3% had someone with a **disability** in their home

More than **55%** of households made **less than \$50,000** last year

Source: FLKS Living with Water Project



A member of the FLKS team wades through the deluge of water.

stay with a friend in Santa Rosa.

After securing their homes, neighbors began to check in on one another and offer support.

The Carters offered the use of their washer and dryer to their neighbors across the street, Bill and Suzanne Bennett, who lost their own to the foot of water that entered their home.

While the couple says they don't plan on replacing any structural features of the house, which was built with redwood beams, she lost decades' worth of cross stitching patterns and almost 50 books in their home library were ruined.

"I think it's worse in a lot of ways to lose the things that your heart likes," Suzanne Bennett says. "It's not all the mechanical stuff, which is really expensive."

Sally Hewitt, a former county employee who lives next door to the Carters, says her house escaped most of the potential damage with the water stopping just about a foot away from breaching the inside, but her car was destroyed.

She estimates the replacement of her car and electrical wiring under the

Adaptation

72% of respondents support the **"Resist"** strategy

55.4% of respondents **oppose** the option for "No Change"

30.4% said that water entering their home "just once" would cause them to **consider relocating**

Source: FLKS Living with Water Project

house at around \$10,000.

Hewitt says she found it heartening to see the immediate help from neighbors and local organizations who stepped in soon after the flooding began, even when resources were spread thin.

"I really am proud of our community here because people really pitched in to help each other as best they could," Hewitt said. "I mean, their own house was going under, too, but there was a lot of caring and people checking on each other and, 'You doing all right?' and stuff like that."

The Carters echoed those thoughts,

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saying they were grateful to have the support of the county, their immediate community and the contractors who helped them plan for repairs.

Linda Carter says they considered themselves among the lucky ones. They have insurance and access to resources but wish the town's senior residents and those on fixed incomes were offered more support. Despite the risk of flooding, they appreciate being able to live in a bonded community in a home only 270 steps away from the beach. (Yes, they counted.)

"My whole thing I say now is that there's 365 days out of a year. There's 15 crappy ones in King Salmon, there's 350 great ones," Linda Carter says. "So, I mean, it is what it is. There's nothing we can do about it and we're just going to have to deal with it."

Looking at the Long-term

For the last year and half, Richmond, along with student researchers and community liaisons on the FLKS project, have been connecting with residents of these low-lying bayside neighborhoods through surveys, workshops and, now, helping to

Flood Experiences

92.3% of residents have had **large puddles** on their street

15.5% of residents have had **water enter their home**

26.7% of respondents think the flooding **has become worse** in the last 5 years

56.8% think it **will get worse** in the next 5 years

Source: FLKS Living with Water Project

provide aid.

Part of the project's goal, according to its website, is to "identify near-term, feasible strategies to reduce current flood risk while also identifying longer term planning objectives and adaptation strategies to address future" sea-level rise.

And an important piece of that puzzle is listening to the experiences of those who have lived and continue to live there, with the project site noting, they have "a vested outcome in planning for the future of their communities."

Among the findings from community input is that while there has been a general increase in high tides in Humboldt Bay, extreme flooding events



One of many cars inundated during the flooding.

can be hard to predict, with residents unable to pinpoint a discernable pattern in weather or tide levels before a flood.

Even long-term residents they spoke to had never seen the level of flooding that arrived with the New Year, according to Richmond.

"Everything that could go wrong, did," Richmond says. "It was like a high lunar tide met with storm surge events, and there was rain. It was just all the things that could go wrong did to make it a really high tide. So, for a lot of residents, this is the first time they've had water in their home."

With a median age of 68, more than half of King Salmon's residents have an annual income of less than \$50,000 and around 40 percent of households include a member with a disability, according to the project's surveys, making the area

especially vulnerable to financial hardship from floods.

But the surveys — like the sentiments expressed by residents interviewed by the *Journal* — also paint the picture of a tight-knit community, with those living in King Salmon having a close relationship to not only their unique surroundings but to each other.

Through her community outreach work, Richmond says she has witnessed first-hand that closeness and their commitment to supporting one another.

"It's been an absolute pleasure to spend a year and a half on our team getting to know these communities and laugh with them," Richmond says. "They're amazing folks that love the coast and love living on the coast and want to protect the coast."



A loon makes its way down Crab Street.



Water rising up into the mailboxes of residents.

What's Next

With recovery for many in the community a long journey that's just getting started, the support from the groups and volunteers who stood along the seawall on Sunday are going to be continuing as well, according to Bown-Crawford.

That means everything from connecting residents to insurance advocacy groups to help them navigate the red tape of next steps and providing housing assistance to the displaced to trying to dig into federal flood assistance programs and helping those who call King Salmon home regain their quality of life.

While neither the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors nor the county Office of Emergency Services proclaimed a local disaster, representatives of the state Office of Emergency Services were scheduled to come look at the situation, Bown-Crawford says.

In an email statement to the *Journal*, Sheriff William Honsal says such declarations are "intended for situations where impacts exceed the routine capabilities and resources of the county," and the situation in King Salmon did not "warrant such a declaration from an OES perspective."

"This high tide and storm affected several homes, and there were no significant impacts to roads, utilities, public facilities, or critical services," Honsal wrote. "OES was in contact with Public Works, Building and Planning, DHHS and the Red Cross, and the situation was handled through normal government processes. No government agency requested additional support from OES or mutual aid."

He also noted that a local emergency was not declared "during the recent flooding in Bayside, Freshwater, and Jacoby Creek."

"In this case, we are maintaining

situational awareness, facilitating communication with government agencies, and assisting with coordination as needed, while allowing the departments with primary responsibility to carry out duties and responsibilities in King Salmon," the statement says.

A local emergency was declared by the city of Arcata and the county after the Jan. 2 fire that burned down a city

block, destroying seven businesses and eight apartments, with both referring to how assessing, containing and mitigating potential contaminated runoff from the suppression effort and ensuing storms were beyond the capabilities of city and county resources.

As with the recovery efforts in Rio Dell after the earthquakes in late 2022 and

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Nearly half of respondents in both communities felt that these neighborhoods were **neglected by the government**

Source: FLKS Living with Water Project

'Gill's in the Bay'

By Jennifer Fumiko Cahill

With diners basking in the sun on the deck over their crab sandwiches and clam chowder, it's hard to imagine the lawn, ramp and parking lot of Gill's by the Bay underwater and the tide sloshing at the boards beneath their feet. But when the King Tide came in Jan. 2, hunks of sun-bleached whale bone that act as garden borders were submerged once again, and the rowboat on the grass was adrift. Brent Freitas, who runs the crab shack adjacent to his family's restaurant, says, "It was 'Gill's in the bay.'"

It wasn't, however, a total surprise. Sitting at a table in the back of the dining room, Freitas flips through photos of flooding that date back to the 1990s. "Every year between Thanksgiving and New Year's," he says, "we have a series of about three high tides that affect us." Usually, they leave the parking lot flooded, but every five or six years, "a big one" comes along to soak the storerooms and office, which are a little lower than the dining room and kitchen. After losing refrigerators and freezers, they raised their equipment and storage room shelving 2 feet off the ground, stacking the expensive stock highest.

This year, the shelving held, and they only lost some potatoes and other cheaper goods on the lower shelves, but it's the highest the water has ever gotten.

While the kitchen and dining room were spared, the office, he says, was under 2 feet of water and the restaurant had to close for three extra days, which meant lost revenue for the restaurant and loss of wages and tips for employees. Freitas estimates around \$2,500 in physical damage, including to the refrigerator in the crab shack, but figures if they hadn't raised their equipment and stock off the ground, it might have gone as high as \$10,000.

"This was kind of the perfect storm — high tides, low barometric pressure and the rain didn't help." Though it could have been worse. If the storm had been stronger, he says, "We woulda had waves comin' in the windows."

Family and employees came in, as usual, to "roll up our sleeves," clearing, cleaning and "re-sanitizing from the roof down," says Freitas. Staff have the option to take the closed days off or clean and get paid. Drying out the walls and floors takes a couple days, and moving larger items back into

place sometimes means waiting for the tide to return and help lift driftwood and other flotsam — this year that included an old section of boardwalk that broke loose.

"It's 'learn and adapt,' especially when you live out here on the coast," says Freitas with a shrug.

Against one wall inside the crab shack squats a Toledo industrial scale from the 1940s with a round, glass-domed face that reads, "Honest Weight." While no longer in use, it's the oldest in the county that still passes certification, says Freitas, and the recent flooding put its entire platform under the water. The black and white photo of whalers working on a massive carcass hanging above the scale is a relic of the Freitas family's history on the bay, which includes Freitas' grandfather Bennie Gill working at the whaling station in Fields Landing as a child in the 1930s.

After running the Whaler's Inn in Field's Landing (from whence the chowder recipe at Gill's hails), Gill bought the dilapidated

building that now houses Gill's by the Bay in 1989. Back then, says Freitas, it was a "burnt out shell of a building; the plumbing had all been stripped out," and "anything worth stealing" was gone. "Everyone thought he was crazy, but he had a vision."

Freitas expects to see new high water marks in the future. "Who knows, maybe we're gonna get a 10-footer. Maybe that's the new normal," he says, though he expects the restaurant will be gone by the time sea-level rise covers the property with water.

Asked why he stays year after year and flood after flood, Freitas gestures to the window facing the bay. "Where can you come to work and look out and see all this?" ●

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The street and lot in front of Gill's by the Bay submerged after the Jan. 2 flooding.

Photo courtesy of the FLKS Living with Water Project

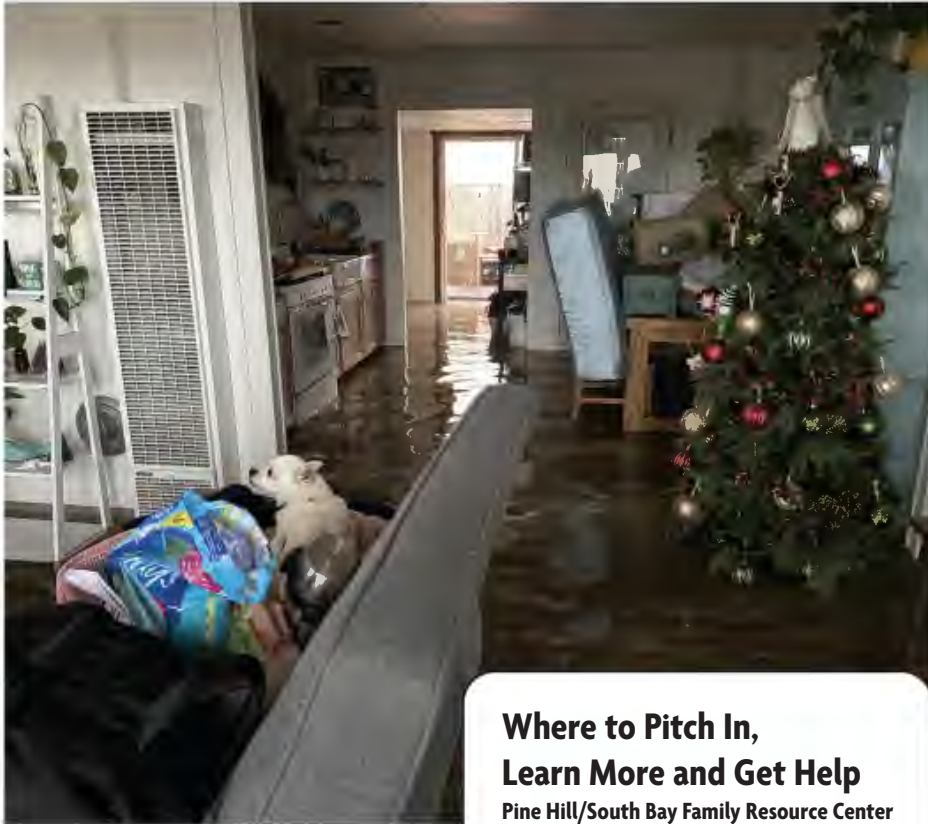


Gill's by the Bay's flooded lot and yard in 2004.

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Brent Freitas indicates where the tide rose to in the crab shack, partially submerging an antique scale. *Photo by Jennifer Fumiko Cahill*



Flooding inside a house in King Salmon.

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early 2023, one of the painful realities is how these types of disasters will not qualify for Federal Emergency Management Agency funding, one of the only forms of government aid that provides direct cash assistance, because of the high monetary damage threshold needed to be met.

“What we really do rely on in these situations is that community effort to wrap their arms around these types of communities,” Bown-Crawford says during an interview earlier in the week. “A lot of resources exist within our local government, local business and communities, and it’s just a matter of being able to coordinate and activate all of these folks. And we do heavily rely on philanthropy and private donations to make this type of work happen in a fast manner.”

While the focus is now on recovery in King Salmon, HCOAD and its partners will also be there for the next Humboldt community that needs their support, building on partnerships formed in the aftermath in Rio Dell and strengthened with each new response.

“This is what collaboration looks like,” Bown-Crawford says. “We can do community-led recovery. ... It’s just going to take wide community involvement and philanthropy. ... We learn so much from every disaster. And not just how to respond better but how to recover better.” ●

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NCJ ON THE TABLE

A Woodworking Campus with a Culinary Surprise

By April Louis
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First founded in 2010 by Jennifer Parent and Johnna Christianson, J Catering is a stalwart of Humboldt events. Known for a diverse menu and local sourcing, the catering business expanded to include a café in 2023. At that point, the former Café Dolce had gone up for sale, and J Catering jumped at the opportunity to open J Café. The café is located on the Whitethorn Construction campus, a well-known community hub in South Humboldt.

The campus is full of artisans who are inextricably linked through the legacy of Humboldt legend Bob McKee, a skilled carpenter and stalwart if controversial supporter of the back to the land movement. Thankfully, since McKee's passing in 2022, the construction campus has lived on, with three craft wood and hardware focused businesses preserving what he started over 50 years ago.

On its face, the J Café is a format that feels familiar. The physical café is small, with just enough space for people to order, and most of the seating is on

outdoor wooden benches. The standard menu is intriguing but also clearly in the usual café category. What separates the J from its peers is the quality of food and the uniqueness of the businesses that surround it.

Our first foray into the J Café was this past summer, when my husband and I came to the campus to look at handcrafted wood furniture. Seeing the small café, we stopped for lunch, not expecting much of it. I ordered a BLT off the menu, one of my go-to sandwiches when a place is unfamiliar.

What arrived is now my platonic ideal for what a BLT should taste like. Being a very simple sandwich, every ingredient has to stand out — here, it was the quality of the greens that took me by surprise. It's not something I've thought about often, as sandwich greens are usually half decent or, on the cheaper side, a sad mess of pre-shredded goo. But my immediate reaction was to the freshness and flavor of the produce. An impressive accomplishment for any ingredient served with bacon, usually the star.



The Magnifico earns its name at J Café.

Photo by April Louis



The Bourdain breakfast sandwich at J Café.
Submitted

That first experience proved to be the norm, and the freshness of the café's food is consistent across its menu and multiple experiences. There is also a keen sense of whimsy in some of the J Café's special items, often uploaded to their Instagram. One remarkable special this past fall used fresh pancakes in place of bread for a meat, egg, and cheese; another is simply referred to as the Bourdain, a play on the late travel show host's favorite mortadella and provolone sandwich.

The regular menu is no slouch either, with a curated array of both standard and unique sandwiches along with salads and soups. Prices for sandwiches currently range from around \$12 to \$15, and all are very filling. A focaccia-based sandwich called the Magnifico stood out, with a savory interior full of ham, provolone and pepperoncino, along with local greens tossed with balsamic vinaigrette.

When asked about ingredient sourcing for the café, Jennifer Parent credits J Catering, saying, "The relationships we cultivated with local farms during our years of catering enabled us to provide high-quality local foods at the cafe." Local farms like Pepperwood's Flood Plain Produce and Ettersburg's French Ranch Farms help supply the business.

J Catering had seen its own products do well when Café Dolce was still open. According to Parent, the catering business "initially saw demand for our Bleu Cheese Dressing when we began selling it to Café Dolce This progressed to retail distribution throughout the North Coast, which proved vital during the COVID-19 shut-down as people supported local businesses by cooking [their products] at home."

Now the J Café is returning the favor and helping support local farms and culinary enterprises with its supply chain. On a campus full of back-to-the-land history, it's quite apropos.

Our successive visits have always included a visit to Whitethorn Construction's gallery, and it's clear both the café and local woodworkers aim for a high level of craft. There's always something to see, whether that be newly made furniture or events like the recent holiday market. It's lovely to find food that expresses its community and space so well. ●

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NCJ ON THE TABLE

Drinks and No ICE at the Speakeasy

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The pineapple juice, Pama liqueur, rum and lime No Raids Just Rum cocktail at the Speakeasy comes with a pinch of nutmeg in a hurricane glass; the non-alcoholic version has muddled raspberries. The spot has also featured the ginger and prosecco Sanctuary Spritz, as well as the gin and violet liqueur-tinted Burn the ICE drinks since its Jan. 13 announcement that the entire month's profits would go to funding pro-immigrant organizations in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Immigration attorney, artist and Speakeasy owner Karina Estrada, who opened the Opera Alley bar Nov. 11, 2011, says the fundraiser is a natural move. "Throughout the bar's existence, I've often made an effort to be more civic-minded and give back to the community when we can," she says over the phone. That's included, among other things, collaborating with Planned Parenthood to raise cash. She says, "I'm really proud to be from Humboldt and I want to invest in the community."

During Trump's first campaign in 2015, Estrada was moved to do something and applied to law school "when I was mad one night," she says. A self-described Chicana, she recalls, "The things he was saying about Latinos and Mexicans especially were making me feel very reactive." She studied law at the University of Minnesota and has been in Minneapolis since 2020, a tumultuous period for the city during which police murdered George Floyd, spurring nationwide protests, and on Jan. 7, an ICE agent shot and killed Renee Good amid mass raids and protests.

Seeing what's happening in Minneapolis — in general and with her clients — has made Estrada want to do something beyond the scope of her work. She figures people here in Humboldt watching from afar might feel the same but may be frustrated by barriers like the need to vet pro-

grams before donating. To simplify things, she looked at grassroots organizations working on direct actions to fulfill needs in immigrant communities. DHH Church (Dios Habla Hoy) in South Minneapolis, for example, has been distributing food to some 20,000 families, among them people who are unable to leave their homes for fear of being pulled off the street by ICE. Some of the money will go to a group of artists and businesses feeding protesters and making signs and printing shirts for rallies, as well as the nonprofit Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota where Estrada works giving free assistance to low-income clients. And as the original post notes, she's open to suggestions.

Kathleen, who sat at the Speakeasy's bar facing a sign about the fundraiser with "FUCK ICE" at the top Sunday evening, is a regular. "I was taken aback," she says, since it was such a strong political stance and a whole month of profits seemed bold. A former bartender herself, she notes, "What are the two things you don't talk about in a bar? Politics and religion." Nonetheless, she says, "I'm all for it."

"We've had a lot of people come in because of this," says bartender Penny Nausin as she writes the lineup of beers on tap on a chalkboard sign. Only one man, she says, swung by while she was out front to tell her to "Fuck off," for hosting the fundraising month. She shrugs and says the response has been positive overall.

Before posting the announcement, Estrada says she sent out a mass text to the Speakeasy's staff in case anyone had concerns about safety. But she says she can't see the people of Humboldt making safety an issue. There have been some negative comments online and people who've unfollowed the bar on social media, and the business' Facebook page was briefly suspended "for violating community standards," according to a post.



Tropical and topical: the No Raids, Just Rum at the Speakeasy, where January profits will fund immigrant causes in Minneapolis.

Photo by Jennifer Fumiko Cahill

Still, she says, “We’ve got more support than blowback,” with people responding positively and sharing posts about the fundraising month.

Estrada says she knows not everyone will agree with her politics or her putting the Speakeasy’s profits where her mouth is, but objecting to feeding hungry people might mean it’s time to check in with yourself. The injustice should be obvious, “If you’re complying with everything the government is saying and they won’t tell you ... where you’re going or what they’re charging you with,” and having people sign documents to self-deport in order to be reunited with their children.

Spending time thinking about losing social media followers doesn’t make sense, says Estrada. “I was at the detention center all day trying to get my client out. ... I have more important things to take care of.”

She doesn’t expect the Speakeasy to raise a tremendous amount of money this month, but she hopes it motivates people. “It’s not a political issue, it’s a human rights issue.” ●

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Apocalypse Now

By Collin Yeo

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The day before a masked ICE agent shot a woman in the face in Minneapolis, the Eureka City Council voted to allow the Eureka Police Department to look into using drones as part of its arsenal. A week later, that same council voted to condemn the illegal occupation of Venezuela by the Trump-controlled military. These aren't disconnected events, and anyone with a coherent ideology built around resisting state oppression would be forgiven for feeling disoriented. I personally can't imagine the political gymnastics required to recognize the violence of imperialism abroad, while also further arming the agents of that violence on the domestic front. Perhaps I don't have the kind of special mind that can visualize the threat of "imperial boomerang" without also imagining that the swath of destruction will include my own community. Maybe those ubiquitous "Think Globally, Act Locally" bumper stickers that graced our roads over the decades on VWs to Volvos to Subarus to Priuses and Teslas meant something else to their ostensibly liberal owners. I don't know; I'm not wired like that. I am cursed with the horror of remembering things and forming my opinions based on reflection, which is pariah behavior in this place.

For instance, I recall that ICE is younger than my ability to vote and that the Obama administration massively expanded its scope and funding as part of an overall project to broaden the many abusive policies of the Bush administration. The right wing turns the status quo into a nightmare, and institutional norms-obsessed liberals work overtime to defend that nightmare. I tend to lump oppressors and enablers into the same category when considering my opposition to bad policy and state violence. That makes me a bit of a crank, according to the sensible people who usually write op-eds and letters to the editor.

I had an epiphany about those sensible people last week, coming back from taking an elderly relative to the doctor. A motorist cut me off on the right, utilizing the bike lane to do so and nearly hitting a cyclist at the same time, all so that she could make it to a right turn on red a

little faster. The cyclist yelled and waved his arms, and I stared at the offender, while she just ... ignored everyone else and looked straight ahead, speeding away from the scene toward U.S. Highway 101. That kind of deliberate blind spot is how many people live their lives and pad the impossible gap between their sense of justice and the criminal administrators they support on their preferred political team. Just pretend it's not there, not really happening. That's the cheerless tune of the ethical zombie, unconcerned that the meat in their current meal might have been ripped from the screaming body of a neighbor.

I don't want to live like that, which I suppose makes me something of a radical. I don't feel like one — I'm pretty boring — but here we are. I guess the question is: Do we continue to stagger around, hoping to blend in just enough with the shambling, ravenous hordes to try to stay off the menu, or do we find a way to unite against the threat of increasingly emboldened monsters? If history is any indication, I would suggest you get used to cannibalism creeping further into civic life. Please prove me wrong, America. Land of the free. Meantime, the rest of you get out there among the living, and dance while it's still legal and not completely monitored by the creeps and ghouls.

Thursday

Tim O'Brien and **Jan Fabricius** are a husband and wife duo who have spent the last decade picking their way around the country and beyond, bringing their talented take on bluegrass to the people. Her mandolin and voice merge with his guitar and multi-instrumental prowess like salt and pepper from some lovely little ornamental shakers. It's a nice sound, is what I'm trying to say. You can judge that for yourself tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Steeple (\$35).

Friday

Elderberry Rust Stringband is playing a free gig at the Captain's Quarters tonight at 8 p.m. for those of you looking for some Friday fun in Eureka without a high price tag.

Meanwhile, half an hour later across the



Magic Fig plays the Miniplex at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 25.

Photo by Kittie Krivacic, Submitted

bay at Humbrews you will find **Grateful Getdown** jamming to all comers with \$15 for the door. This is the first Dead-related gig I've reported on since the death of founding member Bob Weir, a milestone I hardly need to bring up for the fans, but one worth mentioning to put this gig in the context of the big wheel that is turning and you can't slow down.

Saturday

Speaking of Humbrews and tributes to and OG members of large post-hippie musical movements, at 9 p.m., the 14-member Frank Zappa songbook ensemble **Stink-foot Orchestra** takes the stage, once again joined by **Napoleon Murphy Brock**, who sang and played horns on some of Zappa's '70s output. I am not the biggest fan of Frank but I had a lot of fun the last time this group took over Humbrews, so bear that in mind when contemplating the trajectory of your evening (\$25).

Sunday

The Miniplex is hosting an early show at 6:30 p.m. — out of deference for the karaoke fans — but what a show it is. **Magic Fig** is a relatively new band from San Francisco, full of folks from other groups who have come together to create some of the best sounds I've heard in a while.

Their latest album *Valerian Tea* is absolutely gorgeous, full of speckled motes of sound sighing, drying and curling at various temperatures in a convection zone on the plasma outer rings of Heaven. Don't miss this one if you can help it. Local champs **Western Extra** will be making sandcastles out of song as well (\$10).

Monday and Tuesday

The days are getting longer but it is still January, and thus we must observe the Sargasso stillness between the stormy nights of song. The world is changing, but some traditions still apply.

Wednesday

Americana soul singer and songwriter **Marty O'Reilly** is making a pitstop at the Arcata Playhouse tonight at 7 p.m. Rusty vocals and dirty boots are a quick sketch of the man's sound, you can fill in the rest for yourself much better than I can, by listening to his tunes online and checking him out in person to beat the midweek slump. A \$20 bill will get you the goods in the latter case. ●

Collin Yeo (he/him) really misses Northtown Books, an oasis of quiet brilliance in a blaring and stupid world. May it rise from the ashes.

Calendar Jan. 22 – 29, 2026



The Princess Bride

Listen up, Princess Buttercup, this weekend delivers a double dose of '80s childhood nostalgia at our two city-named theaters. **Saturday, Jan. 23**, the **Eureka Theater** hosts a community tribute to Rob Reiner with a screening of his endlessly quotable and charming 1987 fairy tale (with a stacked cast of comedy greats) **The Princess Bride** at **7 p.m.** (\$10, \$5 kids). **Sunday, Jan. 24**, the **Arcata Theatre Lounge** counters with Wolfgang Petersen's **The NeverEnding Story**, the 1984 fantasy with the catchy theme song that taught a generation stories could save us (and left us emotionally wrecked by a certain swamp scene). Themed cocktails and a curated pre-show start at **5 p.m.**, movie at **6 p.m.** (\$8, \$12 w/poster).



Submitted

As ICE raids terrorize American cities and executive orders test constitutional limits, Fred Korematsu's defiance feels less like history and more like instruction. Korematsu refused to comply with Executive Order 9066, which forced Japanese Americans into incarceration camps during World War II, and spent decades fighting for justice. Cal Poly Humboldt honors his legacy with a **Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution Celebration**, featuring speaker **Satsuki Ina** on **Monday, Jan. 26**, from **5 to 6:30 p.m.** at the **Native American Forum** (BSS 162) (free). A licensed psychotherapist specializing in community trauma, Ina will present on resistance and remembrance, exploring how victims of oppression can reclaim their voices and transform the systems that harmed them.



Submitted

Juilliard-trained guitarist **Adam Moezinia** brings his **Folk Element Trio** to the **Arcata Playhouse** on **Thursday, Jan. 29**, at **7 p.m.** as part of a five-week West Coast tour (\$20). Based in New York, Moezinia has played alongside jazz greats like Cécile McLorin Salvant, Freddy Cole and George Coleman at venues including Jazz at Lincoln Center and the Blue Note. His trio (with Emiliano Lasansky on bass and Marcello Carelli on drums) is rooted in jazz tradition but draws from folk music spanning West Africa, the Caribbean, the U.K. and Appalachia. Catch it in the Playhouse's cozy confines.

22 Thursday

ART

Figure Drawing at Synopsis. 7-9 p.m. Synopsis Collective, 1675 Union St., Eureka. With a live model. Bring your own art supplies. Call to contact Clint. \$5. synopsisperformance.com. (707) 362-9392.

MUSIC

Eagles Tribute: Take it to the Limit. 7:30 p.m. Arkley Center for the Performing Arts, 412 G St., Eureka. Experience Eagles classics like "Hotel California," "Take It Easy," "Life in the Fast Lane" and more, performed by world-class musicians and vocalists. \$49-\$79.

Tim O'Brien & Jan Fabricius. 7:30 p.m. The Old Steeple, 246 Berding St., Ferndale. Bluegrass. \$30.

THEATER

The Imaginary Invalid and Aria DA Capo. 7 p.m. Gist Hall Theatre, Cal Poly Humboldt, Arcata. A night of comedy and tragedy about conflict, love and absurdity. Performed by the students of Northcoast Preparatory Academy. \$10 suggested donation. admin@northcoast-prep.org. (707) 822-0861.

EVENTS

Arcata State of the City. 10:30 a.m.-noon. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Presentations from the chamber, city and Cal Poly Humboldt leaders. Light refreshments provided. Q&A after the program. All attendees must register online for headcount. \$15, free for members. gloria@arcatachamber.com. business.arcatachamber.com/events/details/state-of-the-city-622. (707) 897-6004.

GARDEN

BONSAI (Bone-Sai?). 7-9 p.m. Eureka Woman's Club, 1531 J St. Join the Eureka Rhododendron Society and Mike Bones from Bones Nursery in Oregon and learn to make bonsai trees using rhododendrons and azaleas. Membership not required. Meets every fourth Thursday. Free. Jeff.Clark1965@gmail.com. eureka womans-club.org. 3235431824.

MEETINGS

Parent Information Night. 5:30 p.m. Union Street Charter School, 470 Union St., Arcata. Learn about Union Street Charter School admissions and offerings. office.unionstreet@gmail.com. unionstreetcharter.org/enrollment/. (707) 822-4845.

SPORTS

Lost Coast Cornhole League Night. Fourth Thursday of every month, 6-10 p.m. Fortuna Veterans Hall/Memorial Building, 1426 Main St. Monthly league nights are open to all ages and skill levels. Registration opens at 5 p.m. Games at 6 p.m. Different format each week. Bags are available to borrow. Drinks available at the Canteen. Outside food OK. \$15. mike@buffaloboard.com.

23 Friday

ART

Life Drawing Sessions. 10 a.m.-noon. Redwood Art Association Gallery, 603 F St., Eureka. Hosted by Joyce Jonté. \$10, cash or Venmo.

LECTURE

Olive Harvest Report Back. 5:30-8 p.m. Moss Oak Commons, 1905 Alliance Rd., Arcata. A local Jewish

activist who recently spent three weeks in the West Bank during the 2025 olive harvest shares her experience with the Burin Land and Farming Cooperative. Free.

THEATER

The Imaginary Invalid and Aria DA Capo. 7 p.m. Gist Hall Theatre, Cal Poly Humboldt, Arcata. See Jan. 22 listing.

EVENTS

Lost Coast Crab Boil. 5:30 p.m. Gyppo Ale Mill, 1661 Upper Pacific Drive, Shelter Cove. A family-style dinner with Dungeness crab, smoked sausage, red potatoes, corn on the cob, garlic, lemon, bay and warm butter, served with bread. Ice cream sundae bar and live music by Ray Bevatori & Michael Curran. Reservations required. \$68. gyppo.com.

FOR KIDS

Kid's Night at the Museum. 5:30-8 p.m. Redwood Discovery Museum, 612 G St., Eureka. Drop off your 3.5-12 year old for interactive exhibits, science experiments, crafts and games, exploring the planetarium, playing in the water table or jumping into the soft blocks. \$17-\$20. info@discovery-museum.org. discovery-museum.org/classesprograms.html. (707) 443-9694.

Weekly Preschool Story Time. Eureka Library, 1313 Third St. Talk, sing, read, write and play together in the children's room. For children 2 to 6 years old with their caregivers. Other family members are welcome to join in the fun. Free. manthony@co.humboldt.ca.us. humlib.org. (707) 269-1910.

MEETINGS

Lost Coast Steamers Mixer. Fourth Friday of every month, 5-7 p.m. Phatsy Kline's Parlor Lounge, 139 Second

St., Eureka. Monthly mixer for steampunk enthusiasts to gather. Every fourth Friday of the month brought to you by the Lost Coast Steamers Steampunk Consortium. Free. events@historiceaglehouse.com. historiceaglehouse.com. (707) 444-3344.

Tarot Salon with Pop Culture Healing. Fourth Friday of every month, 5:30-8 p.m. The Historic Eagle House, 139 Second St., Eureka. Join Geneva Elise every fourth Friday for a community tarot event for readers of all levels. Snacks in Phatsy Kline's then head to the Bayview dining room and practice reading. Bring your deck and a journal. Light refreshments provided. \$20-\$25. events@historiceaglehouse.com. popculturehealing.com/tarot-salon. (707) 444-3344.

ETC

Public Skate. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Fortuna Skating Rink, Rohner Park. Roll over to the Fireman's Pavilion in Rohner Park. Public Skate sessions may close early if there is no one in attendance. \$5.50 ages 6 and older, \$3.50 ages 5 and younger, bring skates for a \$0.50 off (rules online), \$2 non-skater minor. friendlyfortuna.com/departments/parks_recreation.

24 Saturday

ART

Art Auction and Tea Party. 2-7 p.m. UniTea House, 778 Eighteenth St., Arcata. Come bid on discounted pieces from your favorite local artist. We are featuring art from Joyce Jonte, Sierra Martin, Joy Holland and many more. Both big and small, cheap and pricey, beautiful and comical- there will be something for everyone. Free.

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Redwood CUUPS presents Imbolc

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Friday, January 30th 6pm

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DANCE

Alice: Dance Performance. 5-7 p.m. Arkley Center for the Performing Arts, 412 G St., Eureka. Ferndale Dance Academy presents a unique adaptation of classic stories. \$25, \$10 children 10 and under, free for 3 and under. learn2dance@ferndaledance.com. ferndaledance.com. (707) 496-0805.

MOVIES

Essential Cinema Tribute: The Princess Bride. 7-10 p.m. Eureka Theater, 612 F St. Community tribute to the iconic work of director Rob Reiner with a showing of one of his best films. Starring Cary Elwes, Robin Wright, Mandy Patinkin, Christopher Guest, Wallace Shawn, André the Giant, Fred Savage and Peter Falk. \$10, \$5 kids. info@theeurekatheater.com. theeurekatheater.org. 7074422970.

MUSIC

The Stinkfoot Orchestra. 9 p.m. Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata. A 14-piece tribute to Frank Zappa featuring Zappa alumni. \$25. humboldtbrews.com.

THEATER

The Imaginary Invalid and Aria DA Capo. 2 & 7 p.m. Gist Hall Theatre, Cal Poly Humboldt, Arcata. See Jan. 22 listing.

EVENTS

Fieldbrook School Booster Club Rummage Sale. 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Fieldbrook Elementary School, 4070 Fieldbrook Road. Clothing (full a bag for \$5), housewares, antiques, sports equipment, pet supplies and more, all benefiting the club. Everything 1/2 off from 1 to 2 p.m. Free, \$10 early admission (8:30-9:30 a.m.). boosters@fbk8.org. facebook.com/events/s/annual-fieldbrook-school-boost/1421968099606729/?mibextid=Gg3lNB. (707) 839-3201.

Fortuna Rotary Seafood Boil. 5:30 p.m. Fortuna River Lodge, 1800 Riverwalk Drive. Dinner, drinks, auction. sold out.

FOOD

Arcata Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Year round, offering fresh produce, meat, fish, cheese, eggs, bread, flowers and more. Live music and hot food vendors. No pets, but trained, ADA-certified, service animals welcome. CalFresh EBT customers receive a market match at every farmers market. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. northcoastgrowersassociation.org. (707) 441-9999.

Music and Makers - McKinleyville Location. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Eureka Natural Foods, McKinleyville, 2165 Central Ave. Live music, samples/demos, pint specials. Free. marketing@eurekanaturalfoods.com.

Music and Makers - Eureka Location. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Eureka Natural Foods, 1450 Broadway. Live music, samples/demos, pint specials. Free. marketing@eurekanaturalfoods.com. eurekanaturalfoods.com.

OUTDOORS

Dune Restoration. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Little River State Beach, Clam Beach Road, McKinleyville. Help remove invasive non-native plants and support native dune vegetation. Meet at the northern gravel parking lot on Clam Beach Drive near the Crannell Road overpass. Bring sturdy shoes, a hat, drinking water and readiness for moderate physical activity. All tools and training provided. Sign up at eventbrite.com. Free.

FOAM Marsh Tour. 2 p.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Interpretive Center, 569 S. G St. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk that will focus on plants. Free. (707) 826-2359.

Humboldt Rose Society - Annual Rose Pruning Demonstrations. 10 a.m.-noon. Miller Farms Nursery, 1828 Central Ave., McKinleyville. A rose pruning demonstration and Q&A. Free. humboldtrose.org.

Native Planting Day. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane, Manila. Help plant native dune mat species. Gloves, tools and training provided. Please wear closed-toed shoes and comfortable clothes that you are willing to get dirty. RSVPs are encouraged and appreciated. Carpooling encouraged. Free.

SPORTS

Fortuna Recreational Volleyball. 10 a.m.-noon. Fortuna High School, 379 12th St. Ages 45 and up. Call Dolly. In the Girls Gym. (707) 725-3709.

ETC

The Bike Library. 12-4 p.m. The Bike Library, 1286 L St., Arcata. Hands-on repair lessons and general maintenance, used bicycles and parts for sale. Donations of parts and bicycles gladly accepted. arcatabikelibrary@riseup.net.

Public Skate. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Fortuna Skating Rink, Rohner Park. See Jan. 23 listing.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday Canteen. 3-9 p.m. Redwood Empire VFW Post 1872, 1018 H St., Eureka. Enjoy a cold beverage in the canteen with comrades. Play pool or darts. If you're a veteran, this place is for you. Free. PearceHansen999@outlook.com. (707) 443-5331.

25 Sunday

BOOKS

Silent Book Club. 1-3 p.m. Redwood Curtain Brewing Co. Myrtle Ave. Tasting Room, 1595 B Myrtle Ave., Eureka. Bring your current read and enjoy yourself. Free. silentbookclubrc@gmail.com.

DANCE

Alice: Dance Performance. 2-4 p.m. Arkley Center for the Performing Arts, 412 G St., Eureka. See Jan. 24 listing.

Dancing in the Park. 5:30-6 p.m. Shay Park, Corner of Foster Avenue and Alliance Road, Arcata. Laura Muñoz facilitates and directs a movement/dance exploration of land and space, relationship and light/darkness in the winter. Free. info@playhousearts.org. playhousearts.org/outsidearts. (707) 822-1575.

MOVIES

The NeverEnding Story (1984). 5-8 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show 5 p.m. Movie at 6 p.m. A troubled boy dives into a wondrous fantasy world through the pages of a mysterious book. \$8, \$12 w/poster. info@arcatatheatre.com. www.facebook.com/events/1836691223639897.

MUSIC

Sweet Harmony. 4-5:30 p.m. United Methodist Church of the Joyful Healer, 1944 Central Ave., McKinleyville. Women singing four-part harmony a capella. Now welcoming new members with all levels of experience. (707) 845-1959.

THEATER

Moonquest: A Winter Shadow Play. 6 p.m. Shay Park, Corner of Foster Avenue and Alliance Road, Arcata. A shadow play deep in the wooded trails of Shay Park, accompanied with live music. Free. info@playhousearts.org. playhousearts.org/outsidearts. (707) 822-1575.

FOOD

Community Breakfast. Fourth Sunday of every month, 8-11:30 a.m. Ferndale Veterans Memorial Building, 1100 Main St. Pancakes, biscuits and gravy, ham, sausage, eggs to order, coffee and juice. \$12, \$7 kids under 12.

Food Not Bombs. 4 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Hot food for everyone. Mostly vegan and organic and always delicious. Free.

Veterans Pancake Breakfast. Fourth Sunday of every month, 8-11:30 a.m. Fortuna Veterans Hall/Memorial Building, 1426 Main St. Pancakes, biscuits and gravy, ham, sausage, eggs to order, coffee and juice. \$12, \$7 kids under 12. vfwpost2207@gmail.com. (707) 725-4480.

GARDEN

Volunteer Workday. 10 a.m.-noon. Trinidad Museum, 400 Janis Court. Help maintain the native plant garden located behind the museum and library. Serious rain cancels.

OUTDOORS

Nature Journaling at the Arcata Marsh. Last Sunday of every month, 10 a.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Interpretive Center, 569 S. G St. No pre-registration required but sessions are limited to the first 10 people. All ages welcome, if they can concentrate quietly for an extended period. Heavy rain cancels. Clipboards and colored pencils provided; bring notebook, journal or other paper and a writing implement. Wear weather-appropriate clothing. info@arcatamarshfriends.org. (707) 826-2359.

ETC

Public Skate. 1:30-4:30 p.m. Fortuna Skating Rink, Rohner Park. See Jan. 23 listing.

26 Monday

ART

Life Drawing Sessions. 6-8 p.m. Redwood Art Association Gallery, 603 F St., Eureka. See Jan. 23 listing.

LECTURE

Fred Korematsu Day Celebration - Satsuki Ina. 5-6:30 p.m. Native American Forum, Cal Poly Humboldt, Arcata. Celebrate Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution with featured speaker Satsuki Ina, who presents on resistance and remembrance. Free.

MUSIC

Cal Poly Humboldt Day. 5-9 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Celebrate Humboldt's polytechnic anniversary with local bands Rad Bromance (5 p.m. to 6 p.m.), Cadillac Ranch (6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.) and Hyperion (8 p.m. to 9 p.m.). Free. forever@humboldt.edu. forever.humboldt.edu/cal-poly-humboldt-day. 707.826.3132.

FOOD

Harvest Box Deliveries. Multi-farm-style CSA boxes with a variety of seasonal fruits and veggies, all GMO-free and grown locally. Monday: serving Blue Lake, Arcata, McKinleyville and Trinidad. Tuesday: serving Eureka and Fortuna. \$30/box, \$15 for EBT customers.

harvesthub@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. humboldttharvestbox.org/.

ETC

Homesharing Info Session. 9:30-10 a.m. and 1-1:30 p.m. This informational Zoom session will go over the steps and safeguards of Area 1 Agency on Aging's matching process and the different types of homeshare partnerships. Email for the link. Free. homeshare@alaa.org. alaa.org/homesharing. (707) 442-3763.

27 Tuesday

BOOKS

Story Time. Last Tuesday of every month, noon. Trinidad Library, 380 Janis Court. Stop by Trinidad Library for story time with Kim. A special time just for young children with their caregivers and families.

FOOD

Harvest Box Deliveries. See Jan. 26 listing.

MEETINGS

Humboldt Cribbage Club Tournament. 6:15-9 p.m. Moose Lodge, 4328 Campton Road, Eureka. Weekly six-game cribbage tournament for experienced players. Inexperienced players may watch, learn and play on the side. Moose dinner available at 5:30 p.m. \$3-\$8. 31for14@gmail.com. (707) 599-4605.

Humboldt Stamp Collectors' Club. Fourth Tuesday of every month, 6-8 p.m. Humboldt Senior Resource Center, 1910 California St., Eureka. New collectors and experts welcome. Learn about stamps, collecting and see local experts in stamps share their collections. Free. humstampclub@gmail.com.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Build English language confidence in ongoing online and in-person classes. All levels and first languages welcome. Join anytime. Pre-registration not required. Free. english-expressempowered.com. (707) 443-5021.

28 Wednesday

DANCE

Line Dancing in the Ballroom. Fourth Wednesday of every month, 6-8 p.m. The Historic Eagle House, 139 Second St., Eureka. Grab your favorite western wear and boot, scoot and boogie across the ballroom floor. Instructor led. All skill levels welcome. All ages. \$10. events@histroiceaglehouse.com. (707) 444-3344.

LECTURE

Discovering Mosses and Liverworts. 6-7 p.m. Paul Wilson presents the extraordinary and little-known world of mosses and liverworts, highlighting local examples from Humboldt County. Hour-long lecture begins followed by Q&A. Zoom link online. Free. info@lostcoast.org. lostcoast.org/event/mosses-liverworts-of-humboldt-co-lecture/.

My Best Lecture: Adolfo Soberanis. 5:15-6:30 p.m. Arcata Veterans Hall, 1425 J St. Rescheduled from October. Native American Studies lecturer Adolfo Soberanis presents "(Re)imagining (Real)ity," a lecture exploring the complexities of our imaginations and

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MOVIES

Sci-Fi Night: The Man Who Fell To Earth (1976) 50th Anniversary. 6-9 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show 6 p.m. Raffle 6:45 p.m. Main feature 7 p.m. Starring David Bowie. An alien must pose as a human to save his dying planet, but a woman and greed of other men create complications. \$6,\$10 w/

poster. info@arcatatheatre.com. facebook.com/events/4187804704819183/. (707) 613-3030.

MUSIC

Marty O'Reilly. 7 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Blues, folk and rock. \$20. info@playhousearts.org. playhousearts.org. (707) 822-1575.

MEETINGS

Humboldt Health Care for All. Fourth Wednesday of every month, 5-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Humboldt Health Care for All/Physicians for a National

Health Program meet by Zoom. Email for meeting link. healthcareforallhumboldt@gmail.com.

Mourning Matters Grief Cafe. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. McKinleyville Senior Center, 1620 Pickett Road. For adult community members of all ages to explore, learn and speak honestly about loss, love and mortality. Rooted in Jon Underwood's Death Café model. Facilitated by Gina Belton. Refreshments. sbinder@mcksenior.org. (707) 839-0191.

29 Thursday

ART

Figure Drawing at Synopsis. 7-9 p.m. Synopsis Collective, 1675 Union St., Eureka. See Jan. 22 listing.

MUSIC

Adam Moezinia. 7 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Jazz, folk, world. \$20. info@playhousearts.org. www.playhousearts.org. 707-822-1575.

THEATER

Orbit Arts Sonic Showcase: Three Radio Plays from Pelican Bay. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Dell'Arte, 131 H St., Blue Lake. Listen to three original audio pieces created by theatre ensembles at the state prison. Benefits a spring term of classes at Humboldt County Correctional Facility as part of Dell'Arte's Orbit Arts Program. In Dell'Arte's main studio, which is up a flight of stairs (no shoes allowed). donation. orbitartsprogram.com/sonicshowcaselisten. (707) 668-5663.

SPORTS

Lost Coast Cornhole League Night. Last Thursday of every month, 6-10 p.m. Fortuna Veterans Hall/Memorial Building, 1426 Main St. See Jan. 22 listing.



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The Rip

The Rip is a Genre Good Time

By John J. Bennett
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THE RIP. When asked if we really “need” another crooked cop heist movie, I suspect most casual viewers — even cineastes — would say no. As a bit of a dork (I still haven’t earned the nerd title) and a basic genre enthusiast, I would argue that while we may not need it, a crooked cop heist movie, especially if well executed, is both a pleasant distraction and an effective broadside against the homogenization of cinema culture. Caper pictures, whodunnits and procedural corruption thrillers used to be a major part of the stock-in-trade of American movies. Before even my geriatric time, they were called “programmers”: reliable, sometimes formulaic exercises in proven genres that would satisfy audiences, if not surprise them. Like monster movies, slashers or, now, regurgitative superhero stuff, they offered both predictable time well-enough spent and the possibility

of pleasant surprises. Beyond that, they were often an opportunity for filmmakers, veterans and newcomers alike, to exercise some of their artistic tendencies within a familiar framework. They were often pretty standard fare and, as a result, many have been lost to time and now displaced by more consistent earners. But done well, they can stand among the most satisfying, stylish and (if you’re like me) comforting examples of modern popular art and entertainment.

It’s uncommon to find such artifacts at the multiplex, but the movement is still alive, if not entirely well. They have become the programmers of the new media, either relegated or elevated (depending on one’s perspective) to the myriad streamers with which we are burdened and blessed. As ever, I do not intend this as a defense of corporate greed, the centralization of media or the erosion of

the collective enjoyment of the movie-going experience. But, as ever, I am here to celebrate good stuff when we get it; I think *The Rip* is good stuff.

Written and directed by Joe Carnahan (*Narc*, 2002; *The Grey*, 2011), who, as a vestige of a bygone era and contrary to some of the more odious tendencies of his industry, continues to make engaging, interesting work, *The Rip* is “inspired by true events” (dog-whistle, to be sure) and takes place among the run-and-gun narco-police of Miami-Dade County. In the opening moments, the well-respected captain of the city’s Tactical Narcotics Team is gunned down, execution style. Her squad, rattled but resolute, is dogged by accusations of corruption and troubled by rumors of clandestine cop heist crews. Working from a vaguely attributed tip, their newly promoted lieutenant Dane

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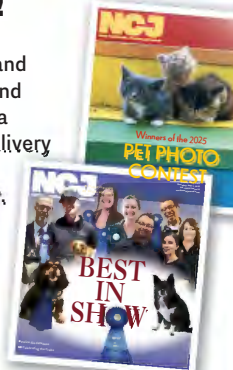






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SCREENS

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Dumars (Matt Damon) leads his team to a purported stash house, where things, recriminations included, immediately escalate. There's too much money, too much heat, not enough oversight and everybody is a suspect; it's a pressure-cooker that could get everybody killed.

As the extent of the titular rip (the stash) becomes clearer, sergeant J.D. Byrne (Ben Affleck) becomes increasingly suspicious of both his commanding officer and the circumstances surrounding their discovery. The occupant of the house in question (Sasha Calle), an unwitting accomplice to major crimes, fears justifiably for her life. And the rest of the detectives, played with spot-on fire and stoicism by Teyana Taylor, Catalina Sandino Moreno and Steven Yeun, are caught in a lethal situation, off the clock and without paid overtime, in which infighting seems inevitable but could be a death sentence.

Again, being of a certain age, it does my old heart good to see Damon and Affleck together onscreen, not least because I've been following their ambitious arc since they got their shot at the big time with *Good Will Hunting* (1997). Superstardom has proven a fickle master, but they've weathered it pretty well. And they are actually committed to making movies they think people will enjoy. Like Carnahan, they're holdovers of a sort and dedicated to what has become an embattled art-form. And in this case, they are provided the opportunity to get after each like an old married couple within the framework of a concise, often humorous, handsomely arrayed genre picture. It certainly isn't the kind of thing that foments cultural change, moves the collective critical needle or qualifies for awards consideration. But it is a cinderblock-solid example of a type of filmmaking the mainstream (read: big money) syndicates rarely deign to grace us with. It rises beyond the constraints of genre and corporate-imposed expectation to yield something engrossing and quasi-magical in its "more than the sum of its parts" totality.

Is that hyperbolic? Sure, probably, and it obviously speaks to my taste and predilection rather than to some "objective" standard. I am very much OK with that. R. 112M. NETFLIX. ●

John J. Bennett (he/him) is a movie nerd who loves a good car chase.

NOW PLAYING

Due to the holiday, updated listings for Broadway Cinema were not available at press time.

28 YEARS LATER: THE BONE TEMPLE. Next leg of the journey for the post-apocalyptic zombie horror. R. 109M. BROADWAY, MINOR.

ANACONDA. Buddies (Paul Rudd, Jack Black) on a DIY movie remake mission are pursued by the title character. PG13. 100M. BROADWAY.

AVATAR: FIRE AND ASH. Na'vi-on-Na'vi violence in the latest installment of James Cameron's sci-fi action franchise. PG13. 195M. BROADWAY (3D).

CHARLIE THE WONDER DOG. Owen Wilson voices the superhero pet in an animated adventure. Not for cat people. PG. 95M. BROADWAY.

DEAD MAN'S WIRE. A 1970s hostage drama based on a true story and with a dark sense of humor. R. 105M. BROADWAY.

FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S 2. Sequel to the Chuck E. Cheese-esque animatronic horror. PG13. 104M. BROADWAY.

GREENLAND 2: MIGRATION. Gerard Butler and Morena Baccarin in the sequel to the eco-apocalypse disaster movie. PG13. 98M. BROADWAY.

HAMNET. Agnes and William Shakespeare cope with the loss of their son in 16th century England. PG13. 126M. MINOR.

THE HOUSEMAID. Amanda Seyfried and Sydney Sweeney in a thriller about weird dynamics with the help. R. 131M. BROADWAY.

IS THIS THING ON? A couple (Will Arnet and Laura Dern) cope with divorce and the husband turns to stand-up. R. 124M. BROADWAY.

LORD OF THE RINGS. Extended versions of the already very long Peter Jackson adaptations on the 25th anniversary. PG13. BROADWAY.

MARTY SUPREME. Timothée Chalamet plays a ping pong champ in the 1950s, when that kind of thing apparently got you laid. R. 150M. BROADWAY, MINOR.

SENTIMENTAL VALUE. Stellan Skarsgård, Renate Reinsve and Elle Fanning star in a story about the strained relationship between a famous actor and his daughter. (Sunday showing with cast interviews.) R. 133M. MINOR.

THE SPONGEBOB MOVIE: SEARCH FOR SQUAREPANTS. Your favorite boxy hero takes on the Flying Dutchman's ghost. PG. 96M. BROADWAY.

ZOOTOPIA 2. Ginnifer Goodwin and Jason Bateman return to voice the rabbit and fox crimefighting duo in the animated comedy adventure. PG. 108M. BROADWAY, MINOR.

For showtimes, visit catheaters.com and minortheatre.com.

FIELD NOTES

Coincidences (Not That Amazing)

By Barry Evans

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"It is no great wonder if in the long process of time, while fortune takes her course hither and thither, numerous coincidences should spontaneously occur." — Plutarch

"I've been looking for you my whole life!" I chortled, running around the table to give my birthday twin a big embrace. She reciprocated, but barely — she is a Brit, and, though I was raised in the U.K., I'm now a classic Californian hugger. My wife and I were having lunch in London with my old school pal and cycling buddy Paul and his girlfriend, and I'd just discovered that she and I shared a birthday — year, month and day. What an amazing coincidence!

Well, not really that amazing, considering Paul and I had been in the same class, and he'd met someone about the same age as himself. It was, in retrospect, a classic example of apophenia, our natural tendency to find and celebrate meaningful connections between unrelated things. In the 1950s, psychologist Carl Jung and physicist Wolfgang Pauli went one step further with their notion of "synchronicity," defined by Jung as an "acausal connecting principle." In this now discredited theory, a supernatural psychic factor is at work, behind the scenes as it were, creating meaningful connections for us to marvel over. In Jung's go-to example, a patient was telling him about a dream that featured a golden scarab, when (gasp!) a shiny beetle suddenly appeared at the window. He didn't, naturally, write about the times he was hearing about a dream and nothing untoward happened.

For a string of supposedly amazing coincidences, there's the now classic meme citing similarities between the deaths of John F. Kennedy (assassinated in 1963) and Abraham Lincoln (assassinated in 1865). For instance, Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846, becoming president in 1860; with Kennedy, it was Congress in 1946 and president in 1960. But there's nothing intrinsically special about 100 years, it's just our illogical fascination with round numbers. And since presidents are only elected in years evenly divisible by four, it's not that surprising. This "coincidence meme" goes on to claim that Kennedy had a secretary named Lincoln (true, first name Evelyn), while Lincoln had a secretary named



Cosmic coincidence: The sun is about 400 times farther away than the moon, with a diameter 400 times that of the moon, so they appear roughly the same size. Sometimes this results in spectacular eclipses when the moon perfectly covers the sun's disc, as occurred on June 11, 1991, photographed here from Los Frailes, Baja Peninsula.

Photo by Barry Evans

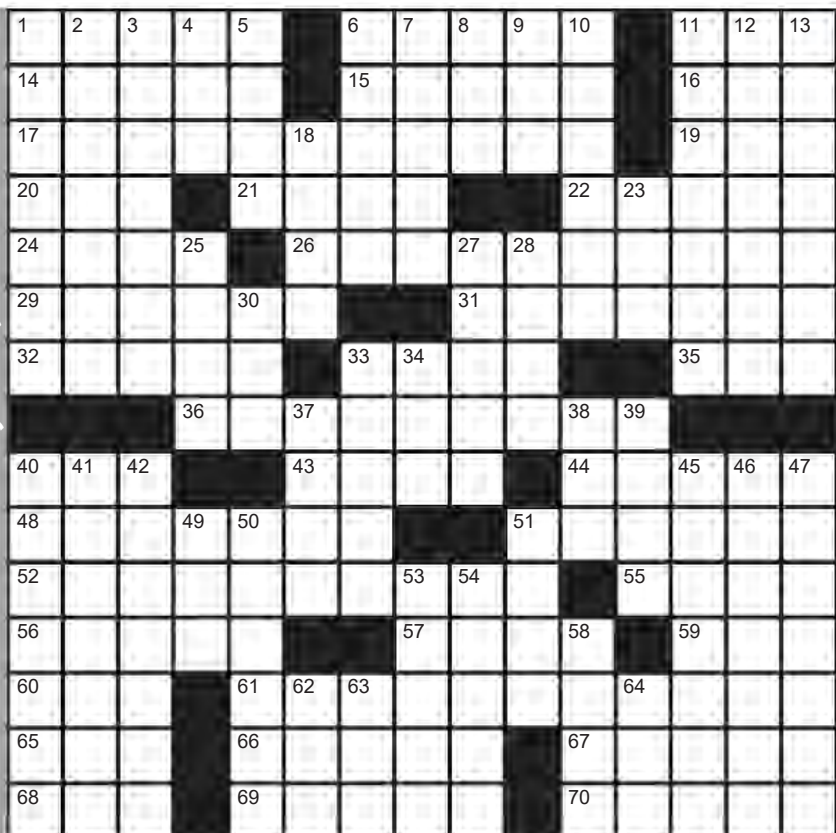
Kennedy. Except he didn't, his secretaries were John Nicolay and John Hay.

The meme goes on to assert that assassins John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald were born 100 years apart. But they weren't. Booth was born in 1838, Oswald in 1939. Then there's the fact that both presidents were succeeded by someone with the name "Johnson" (Andrew and Lyndon). Not that big a deal, Johnson being the second most common surname in the U.S. after Smith. And if you're still thinking "Johnson coincidences," consider all the non-coincidences: One Johnson supported slavery, the other civil rights. One was impeached, the other wasn't. One was from North Carolina, the other from Texas. And so on.

(In case you're familiar with the salacious "Monroe" connection, let's put it to rest. Supposedly, Lincoln was in Monroe, Maryland, a month before being shot, but no, Kennedy wasn't — as the crass theory goes — "in" Monroe, Marilyn a month before his assassination. That misogynistic pun is in especially poor taste since she had died over a year before.)

I suppose we can all rattle off a couple or more amazing coincidences in our lives, of the "I dreamt of someone I hadn't thought of in decades and bumped into her the next day in a coffee shop" variety. However delightful these happenings are and how much fun it is to relate (my birth twin!), truth is, they're bound to happen once in a while, given our busy, peripatetic lives. What's also bound to happen is the opposite: Thousands — perhaps millions over a lifetime — of completely unremarkable sightings. Somehow, "I was in Ramone's earlier today and guess what? I didn't see anyone I knew!" just doesn't make for a conversation starter. ●

Barry Evans (he/him, barryevans9@yahoo.com, planethumboldt.substack.com) will buy anyone born on Sept. 6, 1942, a Humboldt Mud at Old Town Coffee and Chocolates.



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BEST OF FIVE

ANSWERS NEXT WEEK!

ACROSS

1. Awaiting a pitch
6. "San ____ High School football rules!" ("Bill & Ted" quote)
11. 2002 Olympics host, briefly
14. Scurrying pest
15. Fred's neckwear on "Scooby-Doo"
16. Actor Penn
17. Espagnole (one of five)
19. "This ____ travesty!"
20. "____ alone in thinking this?"
21. Capital of Qatar
22. Many "Frozen"-inspired Halloween costumes
24. Period following sunset
26. Queens (one of five)
29. Middle part of a Shakespeare play

31. Author of the "Goosebumps" series
32. MacGowan of the Pogues
33. Drive an 18-wheeler, say
35. Little bit
36. Michigan (one of five)
40. Pirate's interjection
43. Invisible rope puller, maybe
44. Hall & ____ ("Maneater" duo)
48. Deemed appropriate
51. "Spill the tea!"
52. Styx (one of five)
55. Equal
56. Purplish color
57. They're thrown in some bars
59. Coffee, in diner slang
60. Former "All Things Considered" host

- Shapiro
61. Yellow (one of five)
65. Former Giants pitcher Robb with a palindromic name
66. Home of the Lightning and the Tornadoes
67. "Biography" network
68. 34th U.S. pres.
69. Word after French or Texas
70. "____, what have I done?" ("Once in a Lifetime" lyric)
DOWN
1. Fleets of warships
2. Excessive
3. Cuban ousted by Castro
4. "Alas!" in Germany
5. Detroit nickname
6. Conspicuously chic
7. "I, Robot" author
8. Avengers franchise,

- for short
9. Dem rep. sworn into Congress at age 29
10. Controls the wheel
11. Downhill wear
12. Garfield's favorite food
13. Didn't match
18. Pasta ____ (boxed dinner brand)
23. His wife was turned into a pillar of salt
25. Charles, currently
27. Weird "Dr. Steve" in a 2010s Adult Swim show
28. Pueblo cooking vessel
30. -y, comparatively
33. Dominican Republic neighbor
34. Banking machine
37. Abu Dhabi ruler
38. American photographer/actress Stark, once linked to former

- Prince Andrew
39. "Good ____" (Alton Brown series)
40. Oregon city known for its Shakespeare festival
41. Showed on TV again
42. Hockey rink divider
45. Joining forces
46. Major Spanish daily
47. Hit with a heavy hammer
49. Museum-funding org.
50. Zelda's husband
51. Three, to Mozart
53. Repeated musical phrases
54. Indianan in India, perhaps
58. Grifter's game
62. Mekong Valley language
63. 1950s Peruvian singer Sumac
64. Beam of light

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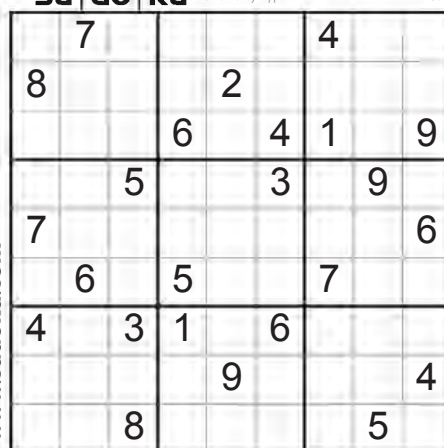
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

Jan E. Silva AKA Jan Elizabeth Silva
CASE NO. PR2600017
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Jan E. Silva AKA Jan Elizabeth Silva A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner, Jeffrey Harrison In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that Jeffrey Harold Harrison be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examinatio in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on February 19, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 4 For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/ IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Carlton D. Floyd
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COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Tricia Louise Tracy
CASE NO. CV2600020
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH ST.
EUREKA, CA. 95501
PETITION OF: Tricia Louise Tracy for a decree changing names as follows:
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to Proposed Name
Tricia Louise Today
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
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Date: January 7, 2026
Filed: January 7, 2026
/s/ Timothy A. Canning
Judge of the Superior Court
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-037)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

Merritt Lindgren
CASE NO. PR2600018
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Merritt Lindgren A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner, Cynthia Lindgren In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that Cynthia Lindgren be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted

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CITY OF FORTUNA
Notice of Public Hearing and FIRST READING OF THE FORTUNA CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, February 2, 2026, at 6:00 pm or as soon thereafter as possible, the Fortuna City Council will hold a public hearing and conduct a first reading of an ordinance in the City Hall Council Chamber, 621 11th Street, Fortuna, California, for the following purpose:

Consider the Planning Commission's recommendation to the Fortuna City Council to adopt amendments to the Zoning Regulations (Title 17 of the Fortuna Municipal Code). The text amendments would apply citywide in the City of Fortuna. The purpose of the amendments is to ensure compliance with current State law for accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and junior accessory dwelling units.
Chapter 17.06, Regulations that Apply to Specific Uses,

repeals section 17.06.001.5 (Accessory Dwelling Units) in its entirety, and adopts a revised 17.06.001.5 (Accessory Dwelling Units and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units) that is consistent with State law.
Chapter 17.06, Regulations that Apply to Specific Uses, amendments to the definition of Dwelling Unit in section 17.06.184.5 (Short-term rentals).
Chapter 17.08 Definitions and Illustrations, amendments to the definition of Dwelling, second residential in section 17.08.222.
STATUTORY REFERENCES FOR CALIFORNIA CITIES, correct the Government Code citation for ADU law.
The Planning Commission's recommended zoning text amendments and resolution are available on the City's website at https://towncloud.io/go/fortuna-ca/agendas/680, scroll to 5.a Planning Commission Business. A printed copy is available also for review at the Community Development Department, located in City Hall, during regular business hours.
Environmental Information: The proposed zoning ordinance text amendments are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21080.17, CEQA does not apply to ordinances implementing Government Code § 65852.1, or Article 2 (commencing with Section 66314) or Article 3 (commencing with Section 66333) of Chapter 13 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code, which governs ADUs and JADUs. The ordinance is also categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines §15303 (Class 3), which covers the construction or conversion of small accessory structures, such as ADUs and JADUs.
The public and all interested persons are invited to appear at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony regarding this matter. You may send written comments to semmons@ci.fortuna.ca.us by 12:00 pm the day of the hearing. Comments will be forwarded to the City Council for their consideration. For further information, call the Community Development Department at (707) 725-1408.
In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (707) 725-7600. Notification 48 hours before the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting (28 CFR 35.102 - 35.104 ADA Title II). Siana Emmons, City Clerk
1/22 (26-042)

STORAGE AUCTION NOTICE
The Individuals listed below are hereby given notice that the personal property stored at 315 N. Fortuna Blvd / 1790 Smith Ln. Fortuna, CA 95540 will be sold to satisfy lien imposed pursuant to section S21700-21716 of the Business/Professions Code, section 535 of the Civil Code on or after February 5, 2026 on StorageAuctions.com unless the amount is paid at: 315 N. Fortuna

Blvd. Fortuna, CA 95540.
Auction will close at 10:00 AM on 2/5/26
#49 Naleah Castillo
#103 DeeDee Bott
#151 McKenna Hardin
#205 Jack Ross
J&B Mini Storage 315 N. Fortuna Blvd. Fortuna, CA 95540
Robert Brock (707)-725-9765
County of Humboldt, State of California
Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Go to StorageAuctions.com for more information.
1/22, 1/29 (26-035)

CR COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR LEAD AND ASBESTOS TESTING AND REPORTING FOR THE MENDOCINO DORMS, DEL NORTE DORMS, RBC-A, AND RBC-B.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Board of the Redwoods Community College District, of the County of Humboldt, State of California, is soliciting proposals from qualified inspection firms to perform Lead and Asbestos Testing and Reporting for the Mendocino Dorms, Del Norte Dorms, RBC-A, and RBC-B at the College of the Redwoods Eureka Campus, proposals are due on February 18th, 2026 @ 2:00 PM P.S.T.
Proposal Documents (RFP) are available at: College of the Redwoods Website: https://www.redwoods.edu/services/bo/purchasing.php Inquiries may be directed to: Leslie Marshall, Director of Facilities and Planning, Email : Leslie-Marshall@redwoods.edu. PROPOSALS ARE DUE: No later than 2:00 PM PST on February 18th, 2026. All proposals must be submitted electronically by email to Leslie-Marshall@redwoods.edu, or a thumb drive by mail to: College of the Redwoods, c/o Office of Facilities and Maintenance, 7351 Tompkins Hill Road, Eureka, CA 95501. Only proposals that are in strict conformance with the instructions included in the Request for Statements of Proposals will be considered.
Redwoods Community College District
1/22, 1/29 (26-032)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND JUDICIAL FORFEITURE
On September 22, 2025, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office seized property for forfeiture from Garland Street in Eureka, California, in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11360 of the Health and Safety Code of California. The seized property is described as: \$98,490.63 in U.S. Currency. Control Number 25-F-16 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney. If your claim is not timely filed, the Humboldt County District Attorney will declare the property described in this notice to be forfeited to the State and it will be disposed of as provided in Health and Safety Code Section 11489.
1/22, 1/29, 2/5 (26-027)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND JUDICIAL FORFEITURE
On December 11, 2025, Deputies from the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Lily Lane in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: \$13,860.00 in US currency. Control Number 25-F-21 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney. If your claim is not timely filed, the Humboldt County District Attorney will declare the property described in this notice to be forfeited to the State and it will be disposed of as provided in Health and Safety Code Section 11489.
1/22, 1/29, 2/5 (26-031)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE
On August 20, 2025, Deputies from the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Covey Court in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: \$6,000.00 in US currency. Control Number 25-F-12 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.
1/22, 1/29, 2/5 (26-028)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND JUDICIAL FORFEITURE
On October 6, 2025, Deputies from the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Mountain Lakes Blvd in Redding, California. The seized property is described as: \$19,503.00 in US currency. Control Number 25-F-17 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.
1/22, 1/29, 2/5 (26-029)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND JUDICIAL FORFEITURE
On October 24, 2025, Deputies from the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11378 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Hilfiker Lane in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: \$1,509.00 in US currency. Control Number 25-F-20 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.
1/22, 1/29, 2/5 (26-030)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00662
The following person is doing Business as
Dirtbag Travel Adventures
Humboldt
2526 7th St
Eureka, CA 95501
Joshua H Jackson
2526 7th St

Eureka, CA 95501
The business is conducted by an individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Joshua Jackson, Owner
This December 22, 2025
by JR, Deputy Clerk
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22 (26-008)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00661
The following person is doing Business as
Electro Espresso Etc
Humboldt
4191A Central Avenue
McKinleyville, CA 95519
Daniel P Kalmanson
4191A Central Avenue
McKinleyville, CA 95519
The business is conducted by an individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 10/1/25.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Daniel Kalmanson, Owner
This December 19, 2025
by JC, Deputy Clerk
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22 (26-009)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00652
The following person is doing Business as
Humboldt County Children's Author Festival
Humboldt
1313 3rd Street
Eureka, CA 95501
PO Box 6089 Eureka, CA 95502
Friends of the Redwood Libraries
CA 0502609
1313 3rd Street
Eureka, CA 95501
The business is conducted by a corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Linda Lorvis, Managing Member
This December 17, 2025
by SC, Deputy Clerk
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22 (26-010)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00670
The following person is doing Business as
Nor Cal Renovations LLC

County of Humboldt
355 Painter St
Rio Dell, CA 95562
Nor Cal Renovations LLC
CA B20250419994
355 Painter St
Rio Dell, CA 95562
The business is conducted by an Individual
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Cameron Millsap, Managing Member
This December 20, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by sg, Humboldt County Clerk
1/8 1/15, 1/22, 1/29/2026 (26-013)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00655
The following person is doing Business as
Redwood Coast Racing League
County of Humboldt
181 E 12th St
Arcata, CA 95521
Humboldt Skatepark Collective
CA 2359463
2437 E Cochran Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519
The business is conducted by a Corporation
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on December 15, 2025
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Charles E Caldwell, CEO
This December 18, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by JR, Humboldt County Clerk
1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29/2026 (26-014)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00643
The following person is doing Business as
Stan Smith Insurance Services
County of Humboldt
509 J St Suite 3
Eureka, CA 95501
Theatta I Smith
509 J St Suite 3
Eureka, CA 95501
Phillip D Smith
509 J St Suite 3
Eureka, CA 95501
The business is conducted by a Married Couple
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed

one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Theatta Smith, Owner
This December 12, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by jc, Humboldt County Clerk
1/8 1/15, 1/22, 1/29/2026 (26-015)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20250157**

The following person is doing Business as
Trillium
Del Norte
681 H Street
Crescent City, CA 95531
True North Organizing Network
517 3rd Street Ste #16
Eureka, CA 95501
The business is conducted by a corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Denise Doyle-Shnacker
This December 1, 2025
by Hannah Gill, Deputy Clerk
1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29 (26-016)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 25-00669**

The following person is doing Business as
Cove Care Inspections
County of Humboldt
73 Fawn Dr
Whitethorn, CA 95589
Nicole R Wood
73 Fawn Dr
Whitethorn, CA 95589
Aron J Wood
73 Fawn Dr
Whitethorn, CA 95589
The business is conducted by a Married Couple
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/20/2025
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Nicole R Wood, Co-partner
This December 29, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by JR, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-017)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20250156**

The following person is doing Business as
Crescent City Lunchbox
County of Del Norte
210 Winding Creek Circle
Crescent City, CA 95531
2021 Fillmore St. PMB 2205
San Francisco, CA 94115
The Lunchbox Partners LLC
2021 Fillmore St. PMB 2205
San Francisco, CA 94115
The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious

business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Ruth Leroi
This December 18, 2025
ALISSIA NORTHRUP
by Claire Landay, Del Norte County Clerk-Recorder
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-018)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-0008**

The following person is doing Business as
Fem-O-Ral Farms Sohumboldt
County of Humboldt
4895 Ettersburg Honeydew Rd
Shelter Cove, CA 95589
PO Box 2093
Redway, CA 95560
William F Rolff
4895 Ettersburg Honeydew Rd
Shelter Cove, CA 95589
The business is conducted by an Individual
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 5/26/1994
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s William F Rolff, Owner
This January 6, 2026
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by sg, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-019)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-00004**

The following person is doing Business as
Ezekiel's Wheels Chapter 707
County of Humboldt
2121 Fairfield St
Eureka, CA 95501
1821 Buhne Dr Sp 3
Eureka, CA 95503
Ellie M Payton
1821 Buhne Dr Sp 3
Eureka, CA 95503
The business is conducted by an Individual
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 1/5/2026
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Ellie Payton, Secretary
This January 5, 2026
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by sg, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-021)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 25-00657**

The following person is doing Business as

Lucky Turn
County of Humboldt
1700 Bird Ave
McKinleyville, CA 95519
Ryan M Archambault
1700 Bird Ave
McKinleyville, CA 95519
The business is conducted by an Individual
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Ryan Archambault, Owner
This December 19, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by JR, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-022)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 25-00644**

The following person is doing Business as
Daveco
County of Humboldt
7777 Zanes Rd
Eureka, CA 95503
David V Klopfenstein
7777 Zanes Rd
Eureka, CA 95503
Holly K Klopfenstein
7777 Zanes Rd
Eureka, CA 95503
The business is conducted by a Married Couple
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/7/2025
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s David Klopfenstein, Owner
/s Holly Klopfenstein, Owner
This December 12, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-024)

**STATEMENT OF
ABANDONMENT OF
USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME**

FILE NO. 25-00520
The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name
Free-Range with Maverick
Humboldt
100 Ericson Ct
Arcata, CA 95521
The fictitious business name was filed in HUMBOLDT County on Not Applicable
Alyssa M Wilson
97 ½ Phillips Ct
Arcata, CA 95521
Samuel A Wilson
97 ½ Phillips Ct
Arcata, CA 95521
This business was conducted by: A Married Couple
/s/ Alyssa M Wilson, Owner
This statement was filed with the

HUMBOLDT County Clerk on the date December 5, 2025
I hereby certify that this copy is a true and correct copy of the original statement on file in my office
Juan P. Cervantes
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-025)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-00014**

The following person is doing Business as
West Farthing
County of Humboldt
361 Main St
Ferndale, CA 95536
Borgen Holdings LLC
CA 20246177551
763 Oeschger Rd
Ferndale, CA 95536
The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 11/30/2025
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Joshua Borgen, member
This January 8, 2026
JUAN P. CERVANTES
by sg, Humboldt County Clerk
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-026)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-00026**

The following person is doing Business as
Coastal Haven Marriage Family Therapy Inc
517 3rd Street, Suites 40 & 41
Eureka, CA 95501
Coastal Haven Marriage Family Therapy Inc
CA C6078693
1401 22nd St Ste R
Sacramento, CA 95811
The business is conducted by a corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 3/1/2024.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Hallie Escarda, CEO
by SC, Deputy Clerk
January 14, 2026
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-033)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 25-00672**

The following person is doing Business as
Northern Realms Trading Cards
3300 Broadway St #206
Eureka, CA 95501
Humboldt
Northern Realms Trading Cards LLC
CA 202206410356
3300 Broadway St #206
Eureka, CA 95501
The business is conducted by a limited liability company.

The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/30/2025.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Michael Suorokrovich, Sole managing member
by SG, Deputy Clerk
December 30, 2025
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-034)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-00006**

The following person is doing Business as
Everwell Private Nursing
Humboldt
7000 Linda Road
Eureka, CA 95503
NB Financials LLC
CA 202104910881
7000 Linda Road
Eureka, CA 95503
The business is conducted by a limited liability company.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Jennifer Renwand, Owner/Manager
by JC, Deputy Clerk
January 6, 2026
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-038)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-00031**

The following person is doing Business as
Redwood Coast Junk Solution
Humboldt
170 Shadowbrook Street
Loleta, CA 95551
PO Box 384
Loleta, CA 95551
Noel Mendoza-Munguia
170 Shadowbrook Street
Loleta, CA 95551
The business is conducted by a limited liability company.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Noel Mendoza-Munguia, Owner
by JR, Deputy Clerk
January 15, 2026
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-039)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 25-00631**

The following person is doing Business as
Redwood Senior Care
Humboldt

509 Francesco Place
Fortuna, CA 95540
ZEK Assisted Living LLC
CA B0250404982
509 Francesco Place
Fortuna, CA 95540
The business is conducted by a limited liability company.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/2/2025.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Yaron Kerman, CEO/Owner
by JR, Deputy Clerk
December 8, 2025
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-041)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 26-00029**

The following person is doing Business as
Pleasants Valley Iris Farm
Humboldt
6619 Benbow Dr
Garberville, CA 95542
Mark V Richard
6619 Benbow Dr
Garberville, CA 95542
Kendall F Richard
6619 Benbow Dr
Garberville, CA 95542
The business is conducted by a married couple.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 1/1/26.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Mark V Richard, Co-owner
by SG, Deputy Clerk
January 14, 2026
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-043)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 25-00673**

The following person is doing Business as
Sohum Screen Printing and Apparel
325 Shelter Cove Road Suite 1
Whitehorn, CA 95589
PO Box 65
Whitehorn, CA 95589
Rustin Alan Spaid
325 Shelter Cove Road Suite 1
Whitehorn, CA 95589
The business is conducted by an individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/30/2025.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

/s Rustin Alan Spaid, Owner/Manager
by JR, Deputy Clerk
December 31, 2025
1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 (26-044)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

Christopher Champion Nixon
CASE NO. CV2502581
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH ST.
EUREKA, CA. 95501
PETITION OF: Christopher Champion Nixon
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
Christopher Champion Nixon
to Proposed Name
Samuel Worthington
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.
If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: January 23, 2026
Time: 8:30 am, Dept. 4
For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: December 3, 2025
Filed: December 5, 2025
/s/ Timothy A. Canning
Judge of the Superior Court
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22 (26-003)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

Mehgan Burton
CASE NO. CV2502849
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH ST.
EUREKA, CA. 95501
PETITION OF: Mehgan Burton
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
Mehgan Joelle Burton
to Proposed Name
Mehgan Joelle Chastain
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not

be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: February 20, 2026
Time: 8:30 a.m., Courtroom: 4, Room: 4
To appear remotely, check in advance of the hearing for information about how to do so on the court's website.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: January 5, 2026
Filed: January 5, 2026
/s/ Timothy A. Canning
Judge of the Superior Court
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/2026 (26-020)

**NOTICE OF
WAREHOUSE LIEN SALE**
[Civ. Code Sec. 798.56a(e); Comm. Code Secs. 7209, 7210]

TO REGISTERED OWNERS DONNA KUHN AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST in the following goods:
A 1990 mobilehome, Manufacturer 90002 SKYLINE HM INC Tradename KNOLLWOOD; HCD Decal Number LAR6053, Serial number 14700500Z; HUD Label/Insignia Number CAL364006 measuring 60 feet in length and 14 feet in width per section.
SINCE THE DEMAND MADE under Civil Code Section 798.56a(e) and Commercial Code Sections 7209 and 7210(2) by **Coastal Woods Properties LLC** ("Community Owner") for payment in full of the storage charges due and unpaid was not satisfied, the above-stated mobilehome, held on account of Donna Kuhn and due notice having been given to all parties known to claim an interest in the mobilehome and the time specified in the notice having expired, **notice is hereby given** said mobilehome, and all of the fixtures contained in the home, will be advertised for public sale and sold by auction at **10:00 a.m. on February 6, 2026 at 1059 Deborah Drive, McKinleyville, CA 95519**. The subject mobilehome, and all fixtures contained in the home, will be sold in bulk, "as-is" without warranties of title, fitness for a particular purpose or any other warranties, express or implied, and will be subject to a credit bid by Community Owner. The sale is subject to change upon proper notice.
Please take notice payment at the public sale must be made by certified funds within three (3) days of the warehouse lien sale or at the time the mobilehome is removed from the premises, whichever is sooner. Failure to pay or remove as required will result in failure of the bid in which case the next highest third party bid will be taken subject to these same terms and conditions; if the next highest bidder is Community Owner's credit bid, then Community Owner's credit bid will prevail.
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\$1,000.00 for publication and service charges (note: this is an estimated administrative charge only; actual charges incurred must be paid to satisfy the demand for payment), all associated with the storage of the mobilehome in the sum of \$3,938.69. Additionally, you must pay daily storage in the amount of \$17.89 per day accruing on or after December 24, 2025, plus utilities and other charges associated with the storage of the mobilehome due after September 2025 and continuing until the mobilehome is removed from the Community.

Please take further notice all third-party bidders must remove the subject mobilehome from the premises within three (3) days after the sale or disposition of the same. THE MOBILEHOME MAY NOT REMAIN IN THUNDERBIRD MOBILE ESTATES AFTER THE SALE OR DISPOSITION. Any purchaser of the mobilehome will take title and possession subject to any liens under California Health & Safety Code §18116.1. All bidders are responsible and liable for any penalties, or other costs, including, but not limited to, defective title or other bond, which may be necessary to obtain title to, or register, the mobilehome.

THUNDERBIRD MOBILE ESTATES
Dated: January 10, 2026 at San Jose, California BY:

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1/15, 1/22 (26-002)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARGARET R. WOODCOCK CASE NO. PR2500291

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARGARET RUTH WOODCOCK A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner EDWARD R. WOODCOCK In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.

The petition for probate requests that EDWARD R. WOODCOCK be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on February 19, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Room: 4 For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner:
Edward R. Woodcock
4662 Little California St
Eureka, CA 95503
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Filed: December 9, 2025
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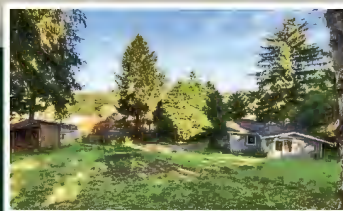
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